

CITY OF IMLAY CITY

LAPEER COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE NO. 25

**AMENDMENT OF CITY OF IMLAY CITY
CODE OF ORDINANCES – GENERAL REGULATIONS (FIRE LANES)**

Title

AN ORDINANCE to secure the public health, safety and general welfare of the residents and property owners of the City of Imlay City, Lapeer County, Michigan by providing for the establishment of designated fire lanes; requiring occupants and property owners to mark and maintain designed fire lanes; prohibit the obstruction of designated fire lanes, establishing a penalty for the violation thereof, and repealing all Ordinances and/or Resolutions in conflict therewith.

**THE CITY OF IMLAY CITY, COUNTY OF LAPEER, MICHIGAN
ORDAINS:**

SECTION 1. AMENDMENTS

Title IX (General Regulations), shall have the following Chapter 101 (Fire Lanes) added thereto:

CHAPTER 101. FIRE LANES

Sec. 101.01 ESTABLISHMENT

The Fire Marshall, Police Chief or their designee may establish fire lanes on both public and private property within the City when it is determined that such lanes are necessary for the safety of occupants and property of such establishment. The Fire Marshall, Police Chief or their designee shall notify a landowner of any such property upon which a fire lane has been established, by mailing notice of the establishment of the fire lane to the address of the owner as identified on the records of the City Assessor and the property owner if the addresses are different. Such notice shall include the following:

1. The location of each designated fire lane upon the property;
2. The manner in which the owner shall post each fire lane;
3. The date by which the posting shall be completed by the owner.

Sec. 101.02 MARKING AND SIGN REQUIREMENTS OF DESIGNATED FIRE LANES

As determined by the Fire Marshall and/or Police Chief, all designated fire lanes shall be clearly marked in one or more of the following manners:

1. Vertical curbs 4" in height shall be painted yellow on the top and the side, extending the length of the designated fire lane. The pavement adjacent to the painted curbs shall be marked with block lettering a minimum of 18" in height utilizing a 3" brush stroke reading "No Parking – Fire Lane". Lettering shall be yellow in color and spaced at no more than 50' intervals.
2. Rolled curbs or surface without curbs shall have a yellow 6" wide stripe painted extending the length of the designated fire lane. The surface adjacent to the strip shall be marked with block lettering, a minimum of 18" in height utilizing a 3" brush stroke reading "No Parking – Fire Lane". Lettering shall be yellow in color and spaced at no more than 50' intervals.
3. Fire lane signs – all fire lane signs shall be conspicuously posted, shall be spaced no more than 50' apart in all areas designated as fire lanes located immediately adjacent to the curb or side of roadway. Signs may be placed on a building when approved by the Fire Marshall in coordination with the Building Official. All fire lane signs shall:
 - (a) Be placed so that they face the direction of vehicular traffic.
 - (b) Be attached to posts that are a minimum of 2" galvanized steel or 4" x 4" pressure treated wood.
 - (c) Be placed so the top of the sign is not less than 4' nor more than 6' above the fire lane itself.
 - (d) Be at least 12" x 18" in size and constructed of 18-gauge steel or aluminum.
 - (e) State: "Fire Lane – No Parking, No Stopping, No Standing, Tow Away Zone".
 - (f) Consist of red lettering of at least 3" in height with a minimum ½" stroke width on a white background.
 - (g) Be reflective in nature.

Sec. 101.03 STOPPING, STANDING, PARKING VEHICLES WITHIN OR OBSTRUCTING FIRE LANES PROHIBITED

1. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle within a designated fire lane unless authorized to do so by the Fire Marshall and/or Police Chief.
2. No person shall place an obstruction within a designated fire lane unless authorized to do so by the Fire Marshall and/or Police Chief.

Sec. 101.04 DUTY TO MAINTAIN DESIGNATED FIRE LANE

The owner of property upon which a fire lane has been designated pursuant to this Chapter shall maintain all required fire lane signs and fire lane curb markings upon the property in conformity with this Chapter.

Sec. 101.05 REMOVAL OF VEHICLES OR OBJECTS FROM FIRE LANES

The Police Department may immediately remove a vehicle or cause a vehicle to be removed from public or private property to a place of safe keeping, at the expense of the registered owner of the vehicle, if a vehicle is parked within a designated fire lane posted as a tow away zone. The Fire Marshall and/or Police Chief or their designee may remove or cause to be removed any vehicle or object from within a designated fire lane at the scene of a fire or other emergency involving the protection of life or property which necessitates the use of the designated fire lane.

Sec. 101.06 PENALTY

Any person who violates any section of this chapter shall be deemed responsible for a civil infraction and shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$150.00. Each day a violation exists may be considered a separate violation and fines imposed accordingly.

SECTION 2. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS

All resolutions, ordinances, or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY

If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the invalidity or unconstitutionality of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. PUBLICATION

This Ordinance, or a summary thereof, shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the City of Imlay City within fifteen (15) days after adoption.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication as set forth in Section 4.

CERTIFICATE OF MAYOR AND CITY CLERK

We hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of an Ordinance duly adopted by the City Commission of the City of Imlay City, Lapeer County, Michigan, at a meeting held on the 30th day of October, 2024.

We hereby further certify that the following City Commission Members were present at the meeting: Mayor Kempf, Mayor Pro Tem Sadler, Commissioner Collison, Commissioner Ramirez, Commissioner Yockey and the following City Commission Members were absent: Commissioner DeLuca, Commissioner Tanis.

We further certify that Commissioner Yockey moved for the adoption of the Ordinance, and that motion was supported by Commissioner Collison.

We further certify that the following City Commission Members voted for the adoption of the Ordinance:

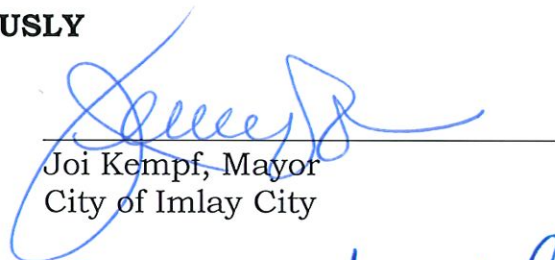
ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Yockey, Collison, Ramirez, Sadler, Kempf

Nays: None

Absent: DeLuca, Tanis

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Joi Kempf, Mayor
City of Imlay City

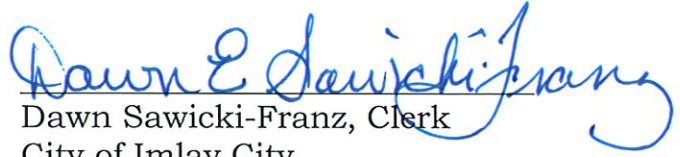


Dawn Sawicki-Franz, Clerk
City of Imlay City

First Reading: September 17, 2024
Second Reading: September 30, 2024
Date of Publication: October 02, 2024

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

I, Dawn Sawicki-Franz, the Clerk of the City of Imlay City do hereby certify that this Ordinance or a summary thereof was published in the Tri-City Times on October 02, 2024.


Dawn Sawicki-Franz, Clerk
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